The Millennium Challenge Corporation MCC intends to enter into a Sole Source with The iRAP organization in accordance with FAR Part 6.302-1 Only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements. In accordance with FAR Part 5.201 General the Sole Source Justification is hereby attached.

INTRODUCTION

The MCC is a Federal Corporation created under Title VI of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2004. With a portfolio of investments for transportation investments exceeding US \$1 billion, MCC requires the ability for consistent road safety inspection and iRAP ratings to provide lower safety risk investments, while allowing MCC the ability to better assess the safety benefits of its investments.

MCC requires support from a reputable, organization to conduct road safety audits for a MCC Compact eligible countries. iRAP is the only organization that can provide iRAP certification. The iRAP organization is a UK registered charity dedicated to the reduction in road deaths and accidents worldwide. The primary activities are the inspection of high risk roads and the development of Star Ratings, Safer Roads Investment Plans and Risk Maps, including training and technological support to build and sustain national, regional and local capability.

iRAP, a UK charity organization (www.irap.org), provides road safety assessments and ratings that have been internationally recognized by other funding organizations like the Asian Development Bank, the Caribbean Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, the Development Bank of Latin America, the International Federation of the Automobile (FIA) and the European Bank of Reconstruction and Development.

SCOPE

Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) requires an auditable rating tool of road and bridge investments in MCC Compact countries. MCC seeks a service provider with established experience of implementing a software based road safety inspection and providing iRAP star ratings. iRAP Star Ratings are an objective measure of the likelihood of a road crash occurring and its severity; the iRAP Star Ratings will assist MCC in the objective quantification of the level of risk associated with existing pre-project roads and proposed new investment designs, including a post construction assessment as needed.

TASKS

The Contractor shall provide a comprehensive, impartial, and reliable evaluation of road and bridge investments in relevant MCC Compact countries.

The tasks below describe the universe of possible assessments to be requested:

Task 1 - Road Inspection Survey Data Collection, Coding, Quality Assurance and Processing

Task 2 - Training

Task 3- Risk Mapping

Justification for Other than Full and Open Competition

1. Brief Description of the Requirement:

MCC requires support from a reputable, experienced and reasonably priced non-profit organization to conduct International Road Assessment Program (iRAP) road safety audits for MCC Compact eligible countries. iRAP, a UK charity organization (www.irap.org), provides road safety assessments and ratings that have been internationally recognized by other funding organizations like the Asian Development Bank, the Caribbean Development Bank, the International Federation of the Automobile (FIA) and the European Bank of Reconstruction and Development.

The iRAP organization is dedicated to the reduction in road deaths and accidents worldwide with particular emphasis on low to middle income countries. Their primary activities are the inspection of high risk roads and the development of Star Ratings, Safer Roads Investment Plans and Risk Maps, including training and technological support to build and sustain national, regional and local capability. iRAP also provides agencies with the ability to track its road safety performance in order to assess the benefits of the investments. Note that iRAP is also a member of the United Nations Road Safety Collaboration.

MCC's Practice Group, Transportation & Vehicle Services (TVS) within the Infrastructure, Environment & Private Sector (IEPS) division has engaged iRAP for Star Rating Assessments in Moldova and the Philippines and would like to fully integrate this service into its compact operations process.

2. Nature and Address of Proposed Supplier:

Name: Interna

International Road Assessment Program (iRAP)

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3. Justification:

Pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 3304(a)(1), FAR 6.302-1, Only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements because iRAP is the only internationally-recognized organization capable of performing the aforementioned road safety audits using the iRAP standard and of issuing the "Star Rating" report.

Further, due to its not-for-profit status, iRAP is available and willing to conduct the necessary work at very reasonable prices.

Based on iRAP's status as the world leader in road safety auditing, its previous working experience in developing countries for other international donor agencies including the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank and MCC, and the very modest amount that iRAP requests to perform the work, MCC's IEPS Division has determined that iRAP is the only responsible source for consideration.

4. Competition:

iRAP is the only organization capable of providing the required service (i.e., Star Ratings), therefore, no request for information (RFI) was posted on fedbizopps.gov.

5. Market Research:

Because iRAP is the only organization capable of providing the required services no request for information (RFI) was posted on fedbizopps.gov.

6. Identification of Interested Sources:

No other potential sources were identified due to iRAP's status as the only organization capable of providing the required service.

7. This justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.